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Claim 1 (amended). A thermoformable film comprising at least one layer of polyamide containing solid anisotropic fillers in an amount of between 0.01% and 4%, relative to the total weight of said at least one layer, and individual spherulites, wherein, said anisotropic fillers in said layer have in at least one first direction a size, expressed as the number-weighted average size for all of the dispersed components of the fillers, of no more than 10 nm and in at least one second direction perpendicular to said first direction a size of at least 50 times the size in the first direction, the number-average distance between the individual spherulites in said layer is no more than 50 nm, and the cores of the majority of the spherulites do not comprise an anisotropic filler particle.

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Claim 13 (amended). A method for the production of containers which comprises forming said containers of the film of Claim 1 on form/fill/seal machines.

Claim 14 (amended). A method of packaging foodstuffs which comprises packaging said foodstuffs in the film of Claim 1.

REMARKS

This application pertains to a novel flexible film containing polyamide comprising at least one layer of polyamide which contains nanoscale, anisotropic fillers.